

subdivisions of the survey, and no person, association, or corporation, except as hereinafter provided, shall take or hold at any one time leases for more than two thousand five hundred and sixty acres in the aggregate, or take or hold any interest as a member of an association or stockholder of a corporation holding a lease under this Act if the acreage represented by such indirect interest, or by such indirect interest together with the acreage represented by the direct holding of any lease issued under this Act, exceeds two thousand five hundred and sixty acres in the aggregate. Any interest held in violation of this Act shall be forfeited to the United States by appropriate proceedings instituted by the Attorney General for that purpose in any court of competent jurisdiction, except that any ownership or interest forbidden in this Act which may be acquired by descent, will, judgment, or decree may be held for two years, and not longer, after its acquisition.

"SEC. 7. That, except as herein provided, any person who shall purchase, acquire, or hold any interest in leases issued under this Act, either directly or as a stockholder in a corporation or member of an association holding leases or interests in leases of which he has knowledge, which interest so purchased, acquired, or held shall exceed in the aggregate two thousand five hundred and sixty acres, or who shall knowingly purchase, acquire, or hold any stock in a corporation or shares in an association which holds any interest in leases issued under this Act exceeding two thousand five hundred and sixty acres in the aggregate, or who shall knowingly sell or transfer to one disqualified to purchase, or, disqualified to acquire any such interest, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than three years or a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or both: *Provided*, That any such ownership and interest hereby forbidden which may be acquired by descent, will, judgment, or decree may be held two years after its acquisition and not longer, and in case of minority or other disability such time as the court may decree.

"SEC. 8. That any director, trustee, officer, or agent of any corporation or association holding an interest in such leases who shall, on behalf of such corporation or association, act in the purchase of any interest in any other lease, which, together with the other holdings of the corporation or association under this Act, exceeds two thousand five hundred and sixty acres in the aggregate, or who shall knowingly act on behalf of such corporation or association in the sale or transfer of any such interest in any lease held by such corporation or association to any corporation, association, or individual holding any interest or interests in any other such leases which together with the interest sold or transferred exceeds in the aggregate two thousand five hundred and sixty acres, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than three years or a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or both."

Approved February 21, 1944.

#### [CHAPTER 28]

#### AN ACT

To authorize the acceptance of donations of land for the construction of a scenic parkway to provide an appropriate view of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park from the Tennessee side of the park, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept, on behalf of the United States, donations of land and interests in land in the State of Tennessee for the construction of a scenic parkway to be located generally

Limitation.

Forfeiture of interest held in violation of Act.

Acquisition by descent, etc.

Interest in leases exceeding lawful area.

Penalty.

Acquisition by descent, etc.

Liability of agent of corporation, etc.

Penalty.

February 22, 1944  
[H. R. 1388]  
[Public Law 232]

Great Smoky  
Mountains National  
Park.  
Scenic parkway.

parallel to the boundary of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and connecting with the park, in order to provide an appropriate view of the park from the Tennessee side. The right-of-way to be acquired for the parkway shall be of such width as to comprise an average of one hundred and twenty-five acres per mile for its entire length. The title to real property acquired pursuant to this Act shall be satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior. All property acquired pursuant to this Act shall become a part of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park upon acceptance of title thereto by the Secretary, and shall be subject to all laws, rules, and regulations applicable thereto.

Approved February 22, 1944.

[CHAPTER 29]

AN ACT

February 22, 1944  
[H. R. 2199]  
[Public Law 233]

To amend an Act entitled "An Act in relation to taxes and tax sales in the District of Columbia", approved February 28, 1898, as amended.

District of Colum-  
bia.  
Tax sales.  
30 Stat. 250.  
D. C. Code § 47-  
1003.

Application for  
deed.

Redemption of  
property.

Notice to owner of  
tax sale certificate.

Application for pay-  
ment.

Forfeiture.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an Act entitled "An Act in relation to taxes and tax sales in the District of Columbia", approved February 28, 1898, as amended, be, and the same is hereby, further amended by inserting in section 3 thereof immediately preceding the word "Provided" where the same first appears in said section the following: "Provided, That no deed shall be issued unless application therefor be made within five years from the last day of sale, and if no such application be made then the owner of any property sold as aforesaid, or any other person having an interest therein at the time of redemption, may redeem the property by paying to the collector of taxes for the legal holder of the certificate the amount for which it was sold at such sale, exclusive of surplus, plus interest thereon for the first two years after the date of such certificate of sale at the rate hereinabove provided, and for three years thereafter at the rate of 6 per centum per annum; that when the said property is redeemed as aforesaid, the collector of taxes shall, within five days thereafter notify the owner of record of such tax sale certificate at his last known address, by registered mail, of the redemption of such certificate; that within five years from the time that payment has been made to the collector of taxes to redeem such tax sale certificate, the owner thereof may apply for, and, upon the surrender of the certificate, shall receive from the District of Columbia the payment made as hereinbefore prescribed; that upon the failure of the owner of such tax sale certificate to apply within the period of five years, as hereinbefore prescribed, such money shall be forfeited to the District of Columbia, and be deposited by the collector of taxes in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the general revenues of the District of Columbia".*

Approved February 22, 1944.

[CHAPTER 30]

AN ACT

February 22, 1944  
[H. R. 3916]  
[Public Law 234]

To permit the construction and use of certain pipe lines for pneumatic tube transmission in the District of Columbia.

Bureau of National  
Affairs, Inc., D. C.  
Pipe lines for pneu-  
matic tube system.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to grant permission to the Bureau of National Affairs, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and doing business in the*